

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT**

Please replace the originally filed Abstract with the following:

**ABSTRACT**

**APPARATUS FOR CRYOGENIC AIR DISTILLATION**

An apparatus ~~Apparatus~~ for the cryogenic distillation of air, ~~said apparatus comprising~~ includes an assembled unit that ~~comprises~~ has a first distillation column module within which is provided ~~at least one~~ a cryogenic distillation column; a heat exchange module within which is provided heat exchange means for cooling column feed air to a cryogenic distillation temperature; and at least one further processing unit. The or each distillation column, ~~said~~ the heat exchange means, and the or each further processing unit are operationally interconnected, and the assembled unit is suitable for transportation to and erection at the site for a cryogenic air separation plant. ~~One advantage of the apparatus is that construction~~ Construction of a cryogenic air distillation plant is simplified resulting in a reduction in construction cost and time of construction. In addition, as components of the apparatus are self-contained within modules, the risk of contamination of the internal components is reduced, thus improving control of the quality of the construction.